

WEATHER FORECAST
Rain tonight, except fair in south portion. Thursday generally fair. Cooler in northwest portion.

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GREAT STORM LASHING COAST OF THE GULF

Hurricane that Devastated St. Thomas Now Smiting America Heavily

HEIGHT OF THE TIDE AND FORCE OF THE WIND AT SOME OF THE GULF PORTS HAS NEVER BEEN EQUALED IN THEIR HISTORY

(Associated Press)

Washington, Oct. 18.—The West Indian hurricane which is rapidly approaching the gulf coast is expected to move inland somewhere between New Orleans and Apalachicola. Hurricane warnings have been displayed between the points. The indications were that the intensity of the storm increased as it neared the coast. Advisory warnings of strong gales have been ordered sent interior points in Georgia, Florida, Alabama and Mississippi.

NARROWED THE LIMITS

Later reports narrowed the hurricane's limits to from Apalachicola to a point west of Mobile.

TREMENDOUS FORCE OF WIND

New Orleans, Oct. 18.—The wind attained a velocity of 72 miles an hour from the northeast at Pensacola at 8:15 this morning, according to a report from the local weather bureau. A wireless to the Marconi Wireless Co. said east to southeast wind was averaging 90 miles, blowing at Fort Morgan, Ala., the entrance to Mobile Bay, at 6:45 this morning. Guests reached 98 miles. A telegram from Mobile shortly before 9 o'clock said it was blowing 90 miles there.

PILING UP WAVES AT PENSACOLA

New Orleans, Oct. 18.—The Pensacola report said the tide was two feet higher than normal running there. The barometer dropped .008 inches there in fifteen minutes.

Montgomery reported telephone advice just before the last wire failed, saying the velocity of the wind at Mobile had been unofficially estimated at 90 to 100 miles an hour.

No estimates of property damage are available at any point.

The wires are down at Pensacola and the service is intermittent to Mobile.

STAPLE AND CEREAL PRICES SOARED

Storm on the Gulf Immediately Felt in the Markets of the Great Cities

(Associated Press)

New Orleans, Oct. 18.—Rumors that the hurricane had struck into the cotton region around Mobile caused cotton to jump nearly \$4.50 per bale on the strongest months around opening. July cotton went to 19.17, the highest price ever recorded on local future boards.

HEAVY SELLING

Heavy selling orders sent prices down two to three dollars a bale below the high point.

WAR PRICES FOR WHEAT

Chicago, Oct. 18.—Wheat rose four and seven-eighths cents a bushel today, December wheat touching \$1.68.

WORK BEGUN ON THE NEW WATER TOWER

Work was started yesterday on the construction of the new water tower, which is to rise to a height of 187 feet at the new city water works. One of the workmen on the tower, a Mr. Owens, yesterday climbed to the top of the new chimney of the combined light and water plant, and, standing erect, walked around the rim.

W. K. Lane, M. D., Physician and Surgeon, specialist Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat, Law Library Building, Ocala, Florida.

ISN'T CALLED ON TO EXPLAIN

Is the Attitude Taken by American Government Toward the Submarine Attacks

(Associated Press)

Washington, Oct. 18.—The United States doesn't feel called upon to make a public statement on the U-53 raid or the general submarine situation, it was learned authoritatively as the result of a statement by Viscount Grey in parliament that his government wouldn't make official representations to this country until such announcement here.

HAPPY AND HEALTHY

Florida Soldiers are Living a Comparatively Pleasant Existence on the Frontier

(Special to the Star)

Laredo, Tex., Oct. 14.—There are concentrated here about 9,000 troops of the following organizations: Second and Fourth Missouri, First New Hampshire, Second Florida, Fourteenth New York cavalry, Ninth infantry and light artillery, regulars. The regulars are in barracks at Fort McIntosh, which is located near the Rio Grande. The Second Missouri has just returned from six weeks of patrol duty.

The Florida regiment is having a picnic. We only drill three hours in the morning, having the rest of the day at liberty. Friday morning we did our first work, going out on "goat hill" for a sham battle. In the afternoon we went over to Fort McIntosh for regimental parade and received the colors.

Saturday being a day off for all soldiers, many took advantage of their liberty and visited the Rio Grande. It is a very narrow stream at this point, with a cliff on the American side about fifty feet high. The water, light and ice plants are located on the bank, between the railway bridge and the international bridge. The river here seems to be used for bathing more than for anything else, as one can see quite a crowd of Mexicans in bathing any hour of the day.

Most of the Mexicans live in one and two-room shanties. They are a very dirty and sluggish race of people. At meal time around camp there are a great many little boys, girls and old women who beg the scraps from the boys as they leave the mess hall.

It is quite amusing to see a soldier trying to talk Spanish enough to make the Mexican wash women understand what they want.

Each company is fitted up with up-to-date mess halls, having natural gas for cooking, also electric lights. All water has to be boiled before drinking, one man being detailed especially for this work.

All the boys are enjoying good health.

DISTINGUISHED VISITOR

Mr. R. A. Cooper, of Laurens, S. C., is in the city for a few days on business. Mr. Cooper was one of the candidates for governor of South Carolina in the recent democratic primary with Messrs. Blease and Manning.

Try Bouquet Dozra perfume, \$2 per ounce, at Gerig's.

ANOTHER BRAVE YOUNG AMERICAN

Lost His Life in Paying His Country's Debt to the Gallant LaFayette

(Associated Press)

New Haven, Oct. 18.—William Thaw, a former Yale student, who has been serving as an aviator in the French army, has been killed in action, according to word received by S. S. Walker, a Yale senior. No details were given.

ANNUAL FESTIVAL HAS OPENED

Certain to be the Greatest Event of the Sort in Florida's Largest City

(Special to the Star)

Jacksonville, Oct. 18.—The annual fall festival and Armour packing plant celebration opened in this city today, and promises to be the greatest event of its kind ever staged here. Officials of the various railroads today announced that they had already brought more than 2,500 visitors from Alabama, Georgia and South Carolina to attend the celebration, and many of these would visit other cities in the state before returning to their homes.

Every store, public building, hotel and many residences are decorated for the occasion, and Armour's chef has been busy today preparing the beehives and hogs for the big barbecue for 20,000 people Thursday afternoon. More than \$2,000 in prizes will be awarded during the fall festival and ten cars of blooded live stock and hogs will be sold at auction Friday afternoon to encourage stock raising in the state. Senator Duncan U. Fletcher will address the visitors and local people on the importance of rural credits in the South, and of the securing of the farm loan banks in Jacksonville.

Among the visitors at the Hotel Aragon this week was Mr. R. O. Connor of Ocala.

MITCHELL-BELL

The following from the Norfolk Virginian will be read with interest by the friends made by Miss Bell on her visit here some winters ago:

A wedding of much interest that took place last evening at 6:30 o'clock at St. Paul's church was that of Miss Alice Bell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Bell to Mr. John Young Stock Mitchell Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Y. S. Mitchell. The ceremony was performed by Rev. H. H. Covington, rector of the church. Following the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell left for a southern wedding trip and after Nov. 1 will be at home at the West-over apartment.

PLUMBING AND ELECTRICAL CONTRACTING

When you have plumbing or electrical contracting let us furnish you estimates. No job too large and none too small. H. W. Tucker.

DESPONDENCY

When you feel discouraged and despondent do not give up but take a dose of Chamberlain's Tablets and you are almost certain to feel all right within a day or two. Despondency is very often due to indigestion and biliousness, for which these tablets are especially valuable. Obtainable everywhere.

Seed oats, seed rye and rape seed, for fall planting, Ocala Seed Store.

FRANK CLARK WILL BE HERE FRIDAY

Intends to Speak in the Evening to the People of Ocala

The friends of our able and popular congressman will be glad to know that he is coming to Marion county. He will be in Ocala Friday afternoon, and at 7:30 in the evening will address the people from the bandstand in the public square. Nobody can make a better speech than Frank Clark. Everybody turn out and hear him.

AT DUNNELLON SATURDAY

Mr. Clark will go on to Dunnellon Saturday morning and address the people of the Phosphate City that afternoon.

LOCAL LEGISLATION

City Council at Last Night's Meeting Had a Long and Busy Session

Every councilman was in his seat at last evening's regular session.

Fire Chief Chambers reported that the roof of the city hall needed repairing, and the building committee was authorized to have the work done immediately.

Mr. H. M. Hampton appeared as a representative of the Elks' lodge and asked that the organization be allowed to make monthly payments on a paving certificate now held by the city, which was granted.

The same course was pursued in regard to a certificate against the property of Mr. J. A. Bouvier.

Mr. C. W. Moffett's proposition to sell the city a 30 foot strip off a lot in North Ocala near the A. C. L. water tank for street purposes was referred to the street committee with instructions to report back to council their findings. It seems that the lot has for some years been left open and the people in the neighborhood have come to look upon it as a public passage way and used it as such, so when it was closed up some time ago the fence was removed by "parties unknown to this affair."

A communication from the agent for the Ocala House property was read, in which notice was served on the city officials that the owner would not be responsible for water or light furnished to the tenants of the building. It was ordered that each tenant of the building be notified that a meter deposit would in future be necessary when service is desired on this property.

The citizens and property owners in the vicinity of the high school building presented a petition to have an additional fire plug put in near that building, which was ordered attended to at once.

A petition from the citizens of the first ward asking for two additional street lights between the city's park property and Daugherty street, was referred to the light and water committee with power to act.

The clerk read the correspondence between President Nash and Messrs. Bryan & Co., and also that between Mr. Nash and the city's engineers, Messrs. Twombly & Henney. After some discussion it was decided to hold these matters over until next meeting. Mr. Robert Ebner, representing the city engineers, was present at the meeting, and assured the council that his firm stood ready to make any repairs necessary on the sewer disposal tank in case the contractors do not do so.

In the discussion of this matter it was brought on that the city engineers had not filed a bond as agreed upon. Upon motion it was ordered that this matter be taken up at once and this bond put on file.

Some time ago the council decided that it would be economical for the city to own and operate a rock crushing plant at the quarry from which street paving material is secured, and the matter was referred to the street committee. A bid from the Ocala Iron Works to furnish this plant, exclusive of the electric motor, was read and accepted. The price to be paid for this is \$2235. An offer from the Fairbanks-Morse Co., Indianapolis, Ind., to furnish a 30-hp. motor for his plant was accepted.

A letter from the Carnegie board to the library board was read, asking that the former be furnished with

PEERLES WORKING FOR THE PARTY

Bryan and Other Prominent Democrats are Out Spelling Binding

(Associated Press)

Memphis, Oct. 18.—William J. Bryan left here this morning with Governor Kye and other prominent democrats for a day's campaign trip thru Tennessee. They will make twelve or fifteen stops before they reach Nashville for a speech tonight.

photographs of the detailed plans of the city library building. This matter was referred to the president of the council with power to act.

An ordinance looking to the abolition of the present library committee, was read and referred to the judiciary committee of the council. This ordinance provides for the appointment of a library committee from the members of the council and will the event of its passage make this one of the standing committees of the body.

A lengthy communication from Mrs. Stovall, as a member of the library committee, was read and ordered filed.

An ordinance requiring sidewalk construction on the south of side of West Broadway west of Pond street was referred to the judiciary committee.

A lengthy ordinance changing the method of assessing and collecting city taxes was introduced and referred to the judiciary committee. This ordinance is to take the place of one that has become obsolete in view of the changes in the state laws in regard to tax matters.

The city registration list was revised and names stricken from the list will be published. The second meeting in November, the 21st, was set as the date for hearing complaints for erroneous erasures, etc.

Instructions were given the street committee to have West Broadway leading from the city to the fair grounds repaired where necessary, and also have same oiled.

City Superintendent Caldwell was instructed to install a street light at the corner of Broadway and Blitchton Road and one at the entrance to the fair grounds on Broadway for permanent use, and also to turn on water supply pipes at the fair grounds when requested to do so by the fair authorities.

The street committee was instructed to have sidewalk injured by a falling tree on East Broadway repaired at once. The matter of opening a street from West Broadway to South Third street on line with Chestnut street, was also referred to street committee.

Chairman Gerig of the fire committee reported that the tires on the chemical auto truck were in a dangerous condition. On motion the committee was authorized to have tires replaced with new ones at once. The committee was also empowered to replace the present brick floor in the central station with concrete.

All approved accounts were ordered paid. The finance committee reported that instructions had been given the city attorney to have recorded 118 paving certificates issued some months ago. Action approved.

The street committee reported that on investigation it was found that the city was within its rights in the matter of sidewalk construction abutting the Littlefield property on East Adams street. Report approved.

The bid of Needham & Son was accepted for making repairs and sewer connections on the city's building occupied by the Empire Cafe.

Building committee was instructed to have fence put around the city's lime pit located in the fourth ward. Mr. J. M. Meffert last evening presented to the city council a summary of the city electric light plant for the last six months of 1915, at which time he was chairman of the light and water committee. The report is of special interest, though late in arriving.

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RUSSIANS TO AID OF RUMANIANS

Bring Invasion to Halt on the Transylvanian Border

SANGUINARY REPULSE INFLICTED BY FRENCH ON THE GER- MANS ALONG THE SOMME

(Associated Press)

London, Oct. 18.—Entente official announcements reported an effective stand by Rumanians against the Teutons along the Transylvanian border and a sanguinary repulse by French of German assaults on new French positions in the village of Sailly-Saillais on the Somme front.

WINTER BRINGS NO REST

The approach of winter is accompanied by no diminution of activity. In some areas it has apparently been redoubled, notably along the eastern front from Volhynia to Rumania, where continuous fighting is reported, with a virtual deadlock.

Further south the Teutonic attempt to drive a wedge between the Russians and Rumanians near Dorna Watra, is the southern Carpathians, is in an uncertain stage. Berlin reported the capture of some heights, but Petrograd claimed the repulse of all attacks.

RUSSIANS AID RUMANIANS

The tide of battle is apparently changing on the Transylvanian border. Berlin is concerned at the stiffening Rumanian resistance. Bucharest today declared the Rumanians were making a successful stand and southwest of Kronstadt had pushed the Teutonic army back. It was declared from the Rumanian viewpoint that all military news is reassuring. Strong Russian forces are reported helping the Rumanians.

WENT UP ONCE TOO OFTEN

Paris, Oct. 18.—A newspaper here said it learned from authorized source that Captain Boelke, the German aviator, has been severely wounded by shell fire. Boelke brought down his thirtieth machine October 8th.

A German statement yesterday credited Boelke with bringing down two additional machines on the western front.

BERLIN'S BULLETIN

Berlin announced the storming of Russian positions near Herbutov, Galicia. French and British attacks on the Somme front are declared to have failed.

AN INTERESTING CHARITY

For the past months an observing man has seen some men and boys picking up the pieces of tin-foil that may be found on the streets, the wrappings of chewing-gum and cigarette packages. He may have wondered what a grown man is doing such a thing for. Well, thereby hangs a tale. Several months ago up in Washington City the Atlantic Coast Line officials found a poor crippled waif left at their station. Nobody seemed to know where he came from or who he was. Being generous hearted people there seemed nothing to do but to take care of him. By some means, the present writer does not know how, it was suggested that his support could be taken care of, if the agents along the A. C. L. could interest people in saving the tin-foil which is so largely thrown away, and in sending it to Washington for the support of this unfortunate boy. It has been taken up all along the line, and a great deal of it has been shipped to George P. James, D. P. A., at Washington, who sells it and applies it to the care of the railroad's ward. An interesting item in the Tampa Tribune, of Friday, said that a shipment of 588 pounds of tin-foil was sent from that city for this purpose, 300 pounds of which was the donation of one man, a cigar maker. This was not the first large shipment from Tampa.

So this is the reason persons in the city may be seen picking up the pieces which chews and smokers have thrown away as useless. It is being turned over to Mr. E. M. Finch of A. C. L., who will be glad to receive all that may be given him and will forward it to its proper destination. Thus that which hitherto has been thrown away may be put to a most beneficent purpose.

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BUSY AS BEES

ORGANIZED DEMOCRATS ARE HOT ON THE TRAIL OF THE INSURGENTS

(Special to the Star)

Jacksonville, Oct. 18.—The democratic campaign is new in full swing. A big force is busily engaged mailing literature to the voters, and speakers have started with the itineraries prepared by the campaign committee and the various county committees.

Mr. Knott will speak the balance of this week in North and West Florida. He will be accompanied through West Florida by H. H. Wells, a member of the campaign committee.

Will H. Price, democratic nominee for presidential elector, will begin speaking Friday covering an itinerary through West Florida terminating at Pensacola.

Amos Lewis and Ellis F. Davis addressed a large meeting last night at Marianna on the occasion of the organization of a Knott campaign club in Jackson county. Similar clubs will be organized during the week in other counties of West Florida.

W. S. Jennings will begin his speaking itinerary at Green Cove Springs next Monday, and will proceed down the East Coast.

E. W. Davis begins an itinerary at Bushnell next Monday morning that takes in Webster, Brooksville, Crystal River, Inverness, Dunnellon, McIntosh, Leesburg, Ocala, Eustis and Tavares.

Reports are persistently coming to the democratic headquarters that speakers for Sidney J. Catts, prohibition candidate for governor, are making the positive statement that if the supreme court had allowed the state canvassing board to count the vote Mr. Catts gained in Alachua, that he would have been the democratic nominee. In order to refute this false impression, designedly created to hurt the democratic candidate, George P. Raney, state chairman, directed the following telegram to H. Clay Crawford:

"H. Clay Crawford, Tallahassee: 'Please wire at my expense number uncounted votes in gubernatorial matter on file in your office Oct. 10 for Sidney J. Catts, also for W. V. Knott, also as of date of October 16th.'"

"George P. Raney, Chairman."

Mr. Crawford promptly replied as follows:

"George P. Raney, Jacksonville: 'Uncounted votes gubernatorial race on file this office October 10, Catts 66, Knott 88. No new returns filed since the tenth.'"

"H. Clay Crawford."

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The supporters of the prohibition candidate are beginning to realize the seriousness of the turning tide of public sentiment and reports are coming to the headquarters that it is being circulated in the rural districts that Mr. Knott is a Catholic, in the face of the fact that Mr. Knott has been for many years a devout member of the Baptist church, has contributed liberally of his means and time for the up-building of this denomination and for years has been a deacon of his church, and the secretary of the board of trustees of Columbia College, a Baptist educational institution in this state.

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